

tive expenditure of the Coffee Board due to increase in Dearness Allowance etc.

(c) The Coffee Board has taken following measures to reduce administrative expenditure:-

- (a) Some posts have been identified as surplus and they are being phased out.
- (b) The Coffee Board is identifying other surplus posts with a view to phase them out.
- (c) No recruitments have been made since April 1991.
- (d) 12.12 percent of telephones in the Offices of the Coffee Board are being surrendered.
- (e) Overtime allowances to the staff has been restricted.
- (f) Expenditure on vehicles is closely monitored.

Supply of Hank Yarn to Handloom Weavers

*255. SHRI ANNA JOSHI:
SHRIMATI RITA VERMA:-

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of hank yarn provided to handloom weavers through Government and semi-Government agencies during 1991,

State-wise;

(b) the financial assistance provided to yarn manufacturing units during the above period, State-wise; and

(c) the financial assistance provided to apex co-operative societies under the Market Development Scheme during the above period, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT):

(a) The State-wise details of hank yarn supplied to handloom weavers and their organisations by the National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC) and the State Co-operative Spinning Mills during 1990-91 are given in the attached Statement - I.

(b) The State-wise/Scheme-wise details of financial assistance provided through the National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC) to Co-operative Spinning Mills during 1990-91 and 1991-92 (upto December 1991) are given in the attached Statement - II.

(c) Under the Market Development Assistance Scheme (MDAS) implemented in the handloom sector, assistance is provided to State/National Level Apex Handloom Co-operative Societies, Handloom Development Corporations and Primary Handloom Co-operative Societies. The State-wise details of Market Development Assistance released to state Apex Handloom Co-operative Societies during 1991 (January-December) are given in the attached Statement- III.

STATEMENT-I

Details of Hank Yarn supplied by NHDC and Co-operative Spinning Mills to handloom weavers and their organisations.

(Quantity in lakh kgs)

Sl.No	Name of the State	Sold by Co-op. Spg. Mills during 1990-91	Supplied by NHDC	
			1990-91	1991-92 (upto Jan.' 92)
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	36.58	12.64	3.84
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	0.15	0.01
3.	Assam	—	14.10	5.46
4.	Bihar	—	6.08	4.45
5.	Delhi	—	0.01	0.01
6.	Gujarat	0.09	0.47	0.33
7.	Haryana	0.60	0.45	4.86
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	—	1.50	0.04
9.	Karnataka	15.43	9.90	7.02
10.	Kerala	6.56	0.95	1.98
11.	Madhya Pradesh	3.29	15.26	4.22
12.	Maharashtra	61.31	8.14	3.18
13.	Manipur	—	0.46	—
14.	Meghalaya	—	0.08	0.01
15.	Mizoram	—	—	0.04
16.	Orissa	26.53	5.82	0.56
17.	Pondicherry	1.00	0.11	0.34
18.	Punjab	5.76	—	0.01

Sl.No	Name of the State	Sold by Co-op. Spg. Mills during 1990-91	Supplied by NHDC	
			1990-91	1991-92 (upto Jan. '92)
1	2	3	4	5
19.	Rajasthan	0.27	3.52	1.04
20.	Sikkim	—	0.01	0.11
21.	Tamil Nadu	114.42	13.54	4.69
22.	Tripura	—	1.39	0.50
23.	Uttar Pradesh	73.79	34.74	1.57
24.	West Bengal	10.75	9.94	1.02
Total		356.38	139.26	45.29

STATEMENT-II

State-wise assistance provided by NCDC to Co-operative Spinning Mills during 1990-91 and 1991-92 (upto (December, 1991)

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Name of the Scheme	1990-91		1991-92 (upto Dec. '91)	
		Sanction	Release	Sanction	Release
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.	Centrally Sponsored Scheme for share capital participation in Growers' Cooperative Spinning Mills				
	i) Maharashtra	660.71	150.00	—	225.00
	ii) Orissa	506.25	50.00	—	54.38
B.	Central Sector Scheme for share capital participation in Weavers' Cooperative Spinning Mills:				
	i) Kerala	—	45.00	—	—

Sl.No	Name of the State	Sold by Co-op. Spg. Mills during 1990-91	Supplied by NHDC	
			1990-91	1991-92 (upto Jan.' 92)
1	2	3	4	5
C. Corporation Sponsored Scheme for margin money assistance to Cooperative Spinning Mills:				
i)	Karnataka	—	23.107	—
ii)	Tamil Nadu	10.75	49.26	—

STATEMENT - III

State-wise details of Market Development Assistance released to Apex Handloom Co-operative Societies during 1991 (January-December)

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Among under MDA Scheme
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	315.95
2.	Assam	20.84
3.	Gujarat	1.98
4.	Karnataka	45.00
5.	Kerala	54.00
6.	Madhya Pradesh	37.35
7.	Orissa	158.60
8.	Punjab	11.50
9.	Rajasthan	23.25
10.	Tamil Nadu	1320.95

<i>Sl.No.</i>	<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>Among under MDA Scheme</i>
1	2	3
11.	Tripura	11.92
12.	Uttar Pradesh	130.00
13.	West Bengal	339.42
Total		2470.76

<i>Sl.No</i>	<i>Name of the State</i>	<i>Sold by Co-op. Spg. Mills during 1990-91</i>	<i>Supplied by NHDC 1990-91</i>	<i>1991-92 (upto Jan.' 92)</i>
1	2	3	4	5

D. NCDC-III Agro Industries Project - Cotton Components:

a) Central Sector Scheme for term loan assistance:

i)	Andhra Pradesh	—	1469.625	—	—
ii)	Karnataka	—	100.000	96.00	302.00
iii)	Maharashtra	4017.00	100.000	—	1499.250
iv)	Punjab	—	500.000	462.50	400.00
v)	Rajasthan	—	—	213.63	213.63

b) Corporation Sponsored Scheme for share capital assistance:

i)	Andhra Pradesh	—	891.200	—	—
ii)	Karnataka	—	537.250	42.44	244.97
iii)	Maharashtra	1127.33	1117.600	—	—
iv)	Punjab	—	—	231.25	—

Sl.No	Name of the State	Sold by Co-op. Spg. Mills during 1990-91		Supplied by NHDC 1990-91 1991-92 (upto Jan. '92)	
		1	2	3	4
v)	Rajasthan	—	—	170.91	—
Total		6322.04	5033.042	1216.73	2939.23

Grand Total: Sanction : 7538.77

Release : 7972.272 (Including spillover assistance)

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Visit of French Delegation

*256. SHRI RATILAL VARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a French delegation visited India during October to December, 1991;

(b) if so, the issues discussed during this visit;

(c) the areas in which the French delegation had proposed to make investment; and

(d) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The following Delegations from France visited India in this period:-

- i) Business Delegation from the Conseil National Patronat Français (CNPF);
- ii) Official Delegation from the Ministry of External Economic Relations;
- iii) Delegation from the French Treasury;

(b) to (d). The French Business Delegation during the 9th Indo-French Joint Business Council Meeting discussed with their Indian Counter-parts the possibilities of enlarging the scope of commercial and industrial cooperation between the two countries. It was agreed that considerable potential existed for Indo-French Collaboration in sectors such as Computer Software, Food Processing, Tele-Communication, Pollution Control Solar Energy, Informatics and Chemicals.

The Two official delegations held discussions with the Ministry of Finance on French aid to India as a result of which two Protocols were signed committing French Assistance of F.F. 299.4 million.

General Insurance Corporation

*258. SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the General Insurance Corporation of India is incurring losses;

(b) if so, the details in this regard during the last three years;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any complaints have been